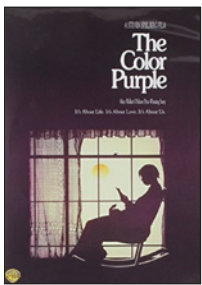


FILMS AND DOCUMENTARIES SUGGESTED FOR VIEWING BEFORE THE JUNETEETH POP-UP EVENT ON SATURDAY, JUNE 19 AT 7 PM.

Here is a list of great films to watch all month long, to honor and celebrate Juneteenth and Black Lives Matter – a collection of films about black men and black women, made by black men and black women, in just about every genre and from a variety of decades. Hope you find some films here that you haven't seen before and give them a look and enjoy!

The Color Purple [1985]



This coming-of-age period drama film directed by Steven Spielberg, is based on the Pulitzer Prize-winning 1982 novel by Alice Walker. The film tells the story of a young African

American girl named Celie Harris and shows the problems African American women faced during the early 20th century. Through life struggles, Celie is transformed as she finds her self-worth through the help of two strong female companions. Between powerful acting including Whoopi Goldberg's first performance and a beautiful musical score by Quincy Jones, this film was nominated for 11 Academy Awards, but won 0.

Where to watch: hulu or HBOMAX

Selma [2014]



Although the Civil Rights Act of 1964 legally desegregated the South, discrimination was still rampant in certain areas, making it very difficult for blacks

to register to vote. In 1965, an Alabama city became the battleground in the fight for suffrage. Despite violent opposition, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. [David Oyelowo] and his followers pressed forward on an epic march from Selma to Montgomery, and their efforts culminated in President Lyndon

Johnson signing the Voting Rights Act of 1965. Nominated for two Academy Awards including Best Picture and winning best song for "Glory" by John Legend and Common.

Where to watch: Amazon Prime

Hidden Figures [2017]



Three brilliant African-American women at NASA -- Katherine Johnson [Taraji P. Henson], Dorothy Vaughan [Octavia Spencer] and Mary Jackson [Janelle Monáe] -- serve as the brains

behind one of the greatest operations in history: the launch of astronaut John Glenn [Glen Powell] into orbit, a stunning achievement that restored the nation's confidence, turned around the Space Race and galvanized the world.

Where to watch: Disney+ & Amazon Prime

The Help [2011]



In 1960s Mississippi, Southern society girl Skeeter [Emma Stone] returns from college with dreams of being a writer. She turns her small town on its ear by choosing

to interview the black women who have spent their lives taking care of prominent white families. Only Aibileen [Viola Davis], the housekeeper of Skeeter's best friend, will talk at first. But as the pair continue the collaboration, more women decide to come forward, and as it turns out, they have quite a lot to say.

Where to watch: NETFLIX

Guess Who's Coming To Dinner [1967]

When Joanna Drayton [Katharine Houghton], a free-thinking white woman, and black doctor John Prentice [Sidney Poitier] become engaged,

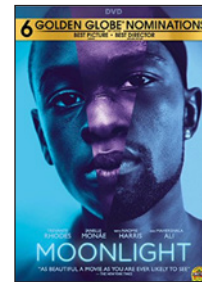


they travel to San Francisco to meet her parents. Matt Drayton [Spencer Tracy] and his wife Christina [Katharine Hepburn] are wealthy

liberals who must confront the latent racism the coming marriage arouses. Also attending the Draytons' dinner are Prentice's parents [Roy E. Glenn Sr., Beah Richards], who vehemently disapprove of the relationship. Nominated for 10 Academy Awards.

Where to watch: Amazon Prime

Moonlight [2016]



A look at three defining chapters in the life of Chiron, a young black man growing up in Miami. His epic journey to manhood is guided by the kindness, support and love

of the community that helps raise him. Nominated for 8 Academy Awards winning 3 for Best Picture, Supporting Actor & Adapted Screenplay. Also features a haunting gorgeous musical score.

Where to watch: Showtime & Amazon Prime

12 Years a Slave [2013]



In the years before the Civil War, Solomon Northup [Chiwetel Ejiofor], a free black man from upstate New York, is kidnapped and sold into slavery in the South.

Subjected to the cruelty of one malevolent owner [Michael Fassbender], he also finds unexpected kindness from another, as he struggles continually to survive and maintain some of his dignity. Then in the 12th year of the disheartening

ordeal, a chance meeting with an abolitionist from Canada changes Solomon's life forever. Nominated for 9 Academy Awards, winning 3 for Best Picture, Supporting Actress & Adapted Screenplay.

Where to watch: Hulu & Amazon Prime

If Beale Street Could Talk (2019)



In early 1970s Harlem, daughter and wife-to-be Tish vividly recalls the passion, respect and trust that have connected her and her artist fiancé Alonzo Hunt, who goes

by the nickname Fonny. Friends since childhood, the devoted couple dream of a future together, but their plans are derailed when Fonny is arrested for a crime he did not commit. Another film that features a beautiful musical score and cinematography. Regina King won an Academy Award Best Supporting Actress for her role in this film.

Where to watch: Hulu

Soul (2020)

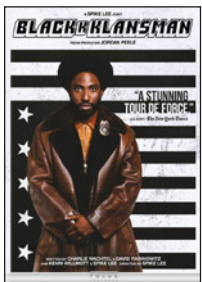


This Disney/Pixar animated film "Soul" is about a jazz pianist who has a near-death experience and gets stuck in the afterlife, contemplating his choices and

regretting the existence that he mostly took for granted. A little deeper than your typical family movie that features an inspiring story about the meaning of life.

Where to watch: Disney+

The BlackKkKlansman (2018)



Pulled from Ron Stallworth's memoir of a similar name, the first Black detective in the Colorado Springs police department hopes to make an immediate

impact by going after the KKK—by impersonating a white man. Spike Lee's most overtly funny film and possibly one of his most impactful too (it won an Oscar for Best Adapted Screenplay). John David Washington—Denzel Washington's son, and awesome in his own right—has pitch-perfect chemistry with Adam Driver as the white detective who infiltrates the Klan in person.

Where to watch: Amazon Prime

Green Book (2018)



Dr Don Shirley is a world-class African American pianist, who is about to embark on a concert tour in the Deep South in 1962. In need of a driver and protection, Shirley recruits Tony Lip, a

tough-talking bouncer from an Italian American neighborhood in the Bronx. Despite their differences, the two men soon develop an unexpected bond while confronting racism and danger in an era of segregation.

Where to watch: Amazon Prime

Loving (2016)

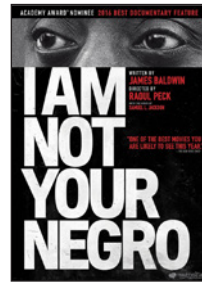


Loving is a 2016 American biographical romantic drama film which tells the story of Richard and Mildred Loving, the plaintiffs in the 1967 U.S. Supreme Court [the Warren

Court] decision Loving v. Virginia, which invalidated state laws prohibiting interracial marriage.

Where to watch: NETFLIX, Rent from redbox & AppleTV

I'm Not Your Negro (2016)



In this documentary, the novelist, activist, and playwright James Baldwin breaks down race relations in a way that's easy to understand and difficult to

deny. I Am Not Your Negro is based

on Baldwin's unfinished manuscript, Remember This House, and will take viewers through the history of what it means to be Black in America and how that's evolved over time.

Where to watch: Amazon Prime, hulu & NETFLIX

One Night In Miami (2020)



Imagine a night in which Malcolm X, Muhammad Ali, Jim Brown and Sam Cooke get together and discuss their roles in the Civil Rights Movement and the cultural fabric of

the time. It's full of rich conversation, tense moments and even a few laughs. Directed by Regina King.

Where to watch: Amazon Prime

Harriet (2019)



The extraordinary tale of Harriet Tubman's escape from slavery and transformation into one of America's greatest heroes, whose courage, ingenuity, and tenacity freed

hundreds of slaves and changed the course of history.

Where to watch: Amazon Prime

Get Out (2017)



A young African-American visits his white girlfriend's parents for the weekend, where his simmering uneasiness about their reception of him eventually reaches a boiling

point. A new modern-day horror thriller from film maker Jordan Peele

Where to watch: Amazon Prime 🌸